REMARKS

Applicants thank the Examiner for allowing all the claims elected for prosecution, claims 1-5 and 12. Applicants have cancelled non-elected claims 6-11 without prejudice.

The Examiner requested that the Title be indicative of the claimed invention. Applicants have amended the Title to read MANUFACTURING METHOD OF SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH PROTECTION AGAINST ELECTROSTATIC DISCHARGE.

The Examiner requested that FIG. 14 be designated as prior art. Applicants have amended FIG. 14 to include the legend "PRIOR ART."

In light of the above, a Notice of Allowance is solicited.

In the event that the transmittal letter is separated from this document and the Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to **Deposit Account No. 03-1952**, referencing Docket No. <u>492322013100</u>.

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In the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to FIG. 14. This sheet replaces the original sheet of FIGS. 13 and 14.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet